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Application No.: 10/657,234)	
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For: A USER PROGRAMABLE)	
SMART CARD INTERFACE	:	
SYSTEM)	February 20, 2004

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

- (1) EP 469 581
- (2) Japan U03-071329

Document (1) is believed to be a English language counterpart of JP 4-88547, which was submitted in an Information Disclosure Statement dated September 8, 2003. In addition, U.S. Publication No. 2001/0017616, which was submitted in the September 8, 2003 Information Disclosure Statement, is believed to be a U.S. counterpart application of document (2) .

Inasmuch as this application has not yet received a first Office Action on the merits, it is believed that this Information Disclosure Statement is timely. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)(3).

Accordingly, the Examiner is urged to study this information in its entirety and to form an independent determination of the materiality of the information to the claimed invention. Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialling the appropriate portion of Form PTO-1449.

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